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FPPC Enforcement Decisions: May 9, 2003

The following are enforcement decisions approved by the Fair Political Practices Commission at its regular monthly meeting held in Sacramento on May 9, 2003. Decisions are divided by category and include brief summaries of each case and the amount of the fines.

Additional information on each of the enforcement cases below can be found in the current agenda on the FPPC Web site at www.fppc.ca.gov. FPPC agendas are distributed and posted on the agency Web site 10 days prior to each monthly meeting.

The Web version of the agenda includes links to the stipulations agreed to by the commission, and by the individuals and organizations subject to the fines, or the default decisions ordered by the commission. Exhibits in support of the stipulations and default decisions are also available on the Web site. If you are unable to access the FPPC's Web site, or need further assistance, please call the FPPC press office at 916-322-7761.

Conflict of Interest

D. Barton Doyle, FPPC No. 00/045.

Staff: Commission Counsel Elizabeth K. Conti and Investigator III Dan Schek.

D. Barton Doyle, a member of the Sierra Madre City Council from April 1996 until the present time, made and participated in making a governmental decision in which he knew or had reason to know that he had a financial interest, by voting as a member of the Sierra Madre City Council to expand and fund the expansion of Utility District #2, in violation of Section 87100 of the Government Code (1 count).
\$1,500 fine.

Campaign Money Laundering

Andres Lujan, Jr., FPPC No. 02/185.

Staff: Commission Counsel Julia Bilaver and Investigator III Sandra Buckner.

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Andres Lujan, Jr. made four contributions to Ruben Diaz, an unsuccessful candidate for Santa Clara County Sheriff, in the November 3, 1998, county municipal election, in a name other than his own, in violation of Government Code section 84301 (4 counts). **\$7,200 fine.**

Campaign Reporting Violations

Roger Kirwan, FPPC No. 02/708.

Staff: Commission Counsel Jennie Eddy and Investigator III Jon Wroten.

Roger Kirwan, President of Woodside Financial Services in Newport Beach, failed to disclose, in a late contribution report, a \$10,000 late contribution, in violation of Section 84203(a) (1 count). **\$2,500 fine.**

The Doctors' Company Political Action Committee and James Cathcart, FPPC No. 99/727.

Staff: Commission Counsel Julia Bilaver and Accounting Specialist Bill Marland.

The Doctors' Company Political Action Committee ("DOCPAC") is a state general purpose recipient committee sponsored by The Doctors' Company, a medical malpractice insurance carrier. Respondent James Cathcart is the treasurer of DOCPAC. On a first pre-election campaign statement covering the reporting period Jan. 1, 1998, through March 17, 1998, Respondents failed to properly disclose a \$62,152 contribution from The Doctors' Company, in violation of Government Code section 84211(f) (1 count). **\$2,000 fine.**

Orrin Cocks, FPPC No. 01/183.

Staff: Commission Counsel William L. Williams, Jr., and Accounting Specialist Bill Marland.

Orrin Cocks was an unsuccessful candidate for San Luis Obispo County Supervisor in the 1998 Consolidated General Election. Respondent failed to disclose the recipient of campaign expenditures of more than \$100, in violation of Government Code section 84211, subdivision (j) (1 Count). Respondent made two payments of campaign expenses without depositing the funds in the single designated campaign bank account, in violation of Government Code section 85201 (2 counts). **\$4,000 fine.**

Gordon McGinnis, Friends of Gordon McGinnis, and Dena McGinnis, FPPC No. 00/619.

Staff: Senior Commission Counsel Melodee A. Mathay and Investigator III Dan Schek.

Gordon McGinnis was an unsuccessful candidate for the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors in the March 7, 2000 county election. Respondent Friends of Gordon McGinnis was his controlled committee, and Respondent Dena McGinnis served as the treasurer of the committee. Respondents failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement after the county election, in violation of Section 84200, subdivision (a) (1 count). **\$2,000 fine.**

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Signature Properties, Inc., FPPC No. 02/806.

Staff: Commission Counsel Jennie Eddy and Investigator III Jon Wroten.

Signature Properties, Inc. is a California corporation, headquartered in Pleasanton, engaged in the business of building homes. Respondent failed to disclose, in a late contribution report, a \$10,000 late contribution to The Lockyer Committee, in violation of Section 84203, subdivision (a) (1 count).

\$1,500 fine.

Jaroath, Inc., FPPC No. 02/1055.

Staff: Commission Counsel Jennie Eddy and Investigator III Jon Wroten.

Jaroath Inc. is a corporation engaged in the telecommunications business headquartered in San Leandro.

Respondent failed to disclose, in a late contribution report, a \$10,000 late contribution to the Bill Simon for Governor Committee, in violation of Section 84203(a) (1 count). **\$1,500 fine.**

SEI Violations

Margaret Sabovich, FPPC No. 01/0432.

Staff: Commission Counsel Elizabeth K. Conti and Investigator III Dan Schek.

Margaret Sabovich, an Associate Development Specialist with the California Technology, Trade and Commerce Agency, failed to timely file a 2000 annual statement of economic interests, in violation of Government Code section 87300 (one count). **\$600 fine.**

Daniel Sanchez, FPPC No. 02/402.

Staff: Commission Counsel Jeffery A. Sly and Political Reform Consultant Mary Ann Kvasager.

Daniel Sanchez, a Commissioner on the Community Health Commission for the City of Berkeley, failed to timely file a 2001 annual statement of economic interests, in violation of Government Code section 87300 (1 count). **\$200 fine.**

Donald Ray Wesson, FPPC No. 01/550.

Staff: Commission Counsel Elizabeth K. Conti and Investigator III Dan Schek.

Donald Ray Wesson, a member of the Planning Commission for the City of Delano, failed to timely file a 2001 annual statement of economic interests, in violation of Government Code section 87203 (1 count). **\$300 fine.**

Glen Dahlbacka, FPPC No. 01/412.

Staff: Commission Counsel Jeffery A. Sly.

Glen Dahlbacka, a Senior Program Manager for the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, failed to

timely file a 2001 annual statement of economic interests, in violation of Government Code section 87300 (1 count). **\$1,500 fine.**

Elizabeth Pidgeon-Ontis, FPPC No. 02/441.

Staff: Commission Counsel Jeffery A. Sly and Political Reform Consultant Mary Ann Kvasager.

Elizabeth Pidgeon-Ontis, a Commissioner on the Architectural Heritage & Landmarks Commission for the City of Vallejo, failed to timely file a 2001 annual statement of economic interests, in violation of Government Code section 87300 (1 count). **\$200 fine.**

David Graves, FPPC No. 01/414.

Staff: Commission Counsel Jeffery A. Sly.

David Graves, a member of the Planning Commission for Napa County, failed to timely file a 2000 annual statement of economic interests, in violation of Government Code section 87203 (1 count). **\$200 fine.**

SEI Disclosure Violations

Thomas P. Allen, Jr., FPPC No. 99/836.

Staff: Senior Commission Counsel Deanne Canar and Investigator III Sandra Buckner.

Thomas P. Allen, Jr., a former Los Angeles County Superior Court judge, failed to properly disclose his investments on two consecutive annual statements of economic interests, in violation of sections 87203 and 87206 of the Government Code (2 counts). **\$4,000 fine.**

Late Contribution Report Violations - Streamlined Program

Failure to Timely File Late Contribution Reports – Proactive Program.

Staff: Chief Investigator Alan Herndon, Investigator III Jon Wroten, and Political Reform Consultant Mary Ann Kvasager.

The following persons and entities have entered into stipulations for failure to file late contribution reports, in violation of Government Code Section 84203:

King's County Truck Lines, FPPC No. 2003-0042. King's County Truck Lines of Tulare failed to timely disclose a late contribution totaling \$10,000. (1 count.) **\$1,500 fine.**

Milk Producers Council, FPPC No. 2003-0005. Milk Producers Council of Chino failed to timely disclose a late contribution totaling \$10,000. (1 count.) **\$1,500 fine.**

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SEIU Local 998 PAC, FPPC No. 2003-0009. SEIU Local 998 PAC of Ventura failed to timely disclose late contributions totaling \$13,500. (3 counts.) **\$2,025 fine.**

Gemini Advisors, FPPC No. 2002-1029. Gemini Advisors, Inc. of San Francisco failed to timely disclose a late contribution totaling \$25,000. (1 count). **\$3,500 fine.**

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